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KRASNYY LIMAN STATION SPEEDS OPERATIONS -- Gudok, No 93, 5 Aug 49

So far in August, the station of Krasny Liman has cut delay of cars needing to be rehandled by 1.4 hours, has shortened delay of transit cars by 12 minutes, and has speeded up freight operations by 6 hours, in comparison with July.

STALINABAD STATION OPERATES POORLY -- Communist Tadzhikistana, No 143, 23 Jul 49

The Stalinabad Railroad Station fulfilled the 6-month plan for freight loading 108.4 percent. However, the loading plan was not completed for a number of basic freights. For instance, only 98.5 percent of the plan for cotton fiber was completed, 90.4 percent for cotton seed, 64.5 percent fabrics, and 85.3 percent for grain.

The main reason for failure to fulfill the state loading plan is the complete lack of supervision by Stationmaster Mirzoyev. During a 5-month period, demurrage increased on an average of 8 hours per car, and during 20 days of June it increased correspondingly by 5.4 hours. Railroad cars are not ready for unloading at the proper time. On 22 June a carload of nails arrived for the Administration of Supplies. By 26 June, it had not yet been moved to the unloading place. A carload intended for Zagotzerno was detained 50 hours, instead of 5 hours according to norm, before it was unloaded.

The administration of the station does not keep up a close business contact with its clients and does not take the necessary steps to avoid demurrage. During the first half-year, 6,365 railroad cars were detained for 25,924 car-hours on sidings. The only thing the station administration has done so far was to impose fines. No attempts are made to reduce the number of cars on the sidings that are waiting to be unloaded.

The Stalinabad railroad office has also failed to give sufficient attention to maintaining freight in good condition and there have been many instances where clients have been permitted to transport freight with inadequate crating or packing.

As a result of insufficient coordination between the station administration and its clients, it has happened frequently that individual enterprises refuse to accept goods addressed to them. This has led to a surplus at the station of goods which are gradually deteriorating. All of this is causing great damage to the state.

LATVIAN RR SYSTEM OPERATES PROFITABLY -- Gudok, No 95, 5 Aug 49

During the present year the Latvian Railroad System refused state subsidy and is operating profitably. Profits during the first quarter totaled 16 million rubles. During 4 months, 13.5 tons of ferrous metals, 12.5 tons of non-ferrous metals, 15 tons of fuel, and 67,000 kilowatt-hours of electric power were saved in repair of locomotives and railroad cars.

RR WORKERS UP SCRAP COLLECTION -- Tikhookeanskaya Zvezda, No 149, 26 Jun 49

Railroad workers on the Far Eastern Railroad System have increased their collection and shipment of ferrous metal scrap. Locomotive engineers and railroad car workers of the Arkhara, Birobidzhan-2, and Obluch'ye stations completed the 6-month plan for shipping scrap one month ahead of schedule. They plan to complete the year plan by 31 July.

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SUBWAY CONSTRUCTION PROGRESSES -- Pravda, No 213, 1 Aug 49

On the eve of Railroad Worker's Day, builders of the Moscow Subway Belt Line completed the tunnel of the first section which goes from Kursk Station to the Central Park of Culture and Rest imeni Gor'kiy. Nine of the 16 kilometers of rails have been laid in the tunnel. The six new underground stations being built in this section are: Kursk, Taransk, Pavelets, Serpukhov, Kaluga, and the Central Part of Culture and Rest imeni Gor'kiy.

Work on the second section between the Kursk and Belorusskaya stations is progressing. The stations to be built on it are: Komsomol'sk, Botanicheskii Sad, Novoslobodsk, and Belorusskaya.

The tunnel of the last section will go from the Belorusskaya Station via the Krasnaya Presnya to the Kiev Subway Station and from it to the Central Park of Culture and Rest imeni Gor'kiy, thus completing the ring of the new subway.

RR TRUSTS NEED PERSONNEL -- Sovetskaya Sibir', No 115, 12 Jun 49

The "Sibstroyput'" (Construction of Siberian Railroads) Trust needs engineers and technicians for civilian construction, a mechanical engineer, a technical supervisor of the timber section, and chief bookkeepers. Apply: ulitsa Uritskogo, 39, Room 170. -- Advertisement

Zabaykal'skiy Rabochiy, No 137, 15 Jul 49

The construction project of the Chita Locomotive and Railroad Car Repair Plant needs the following workers: stone masons, furnace attendants, carpenters, plasterers, roofers, concreters, boilermakers, fitters, forgers, hammermen, lathe-men, casters, excavators, joiners, and nonskilled workers. Apply: Personnel Department of the plant, Chita 1-ya. -- Advertisement.

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